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DOJ-2017-002728 (AG)

No. 1:17-cv-0599 (D.D.C.)

Re:

Ms. Anne Weismann Chief FOIA Counsel CREW 455 Massachusetts Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20001 aweismann@citizensforethics.org

Dear Ms. Weismann:

This is our third response to your above-referenced Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request and related lawsuit, dated and received in this Office on March 6, 2017 seeking: (1) "all records containing or reflecting advice and/or recommendations given to Attorney General Jeff Sessions by his staff regarding whether or not he should recuse himself from any matters involving the 2016 presidential campaign;" (2) "all calendars for Attorney General Sessions for the period February 27, 2017 through March 3, 2017;" and (3) "all documents effectuating the attorney general's recusal within the Department of Justice." This response is made on behalf of the Office of the Attorney General (OAG).

By letter dated June 30, 2017, we provided you with an interim response on certain material within the nine pages responsive to part (2) of your request, and advised you that we would respond to you again by July 7, 2017 on the remaining material within those pages, pursuant to the Joint Status Report filed on June 21, 2017 (*See* ECF No. 15). Please be advised that our review of the remaining material within the nine pages responsive to part (2) of your request is now complete. I have determined that this material is appropriate for release with excisions made pursuant to Exemptions 5 and 6 of the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(5) and (b)(6), and copies are enclosed. Exemption 5 pertains to certain inter- and intra-agency communications protected by the attorney work-product, deliberative process, and/or presidential communications privileges. Exemption 6 pertains to information the release of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of the personal privacy of third parties.

For your information, Congress excluded three discrete categories of law enforcement and national security records from the requirements of the FOIA. See 5 U.S.C. § 552(c) (2015) (amended 2016). This response is limited to those records that are subject to the requirements of the FOIA. This is a standard notification that is given to all our requesters and should not be taken as an indication that excluded records do, or do not, exist.

If you have any questions regarding this response, please contact Kathryn Davis of the Department's Civil Division, Federal Programs Branch, at (202) 616-8298.

Sincerely,

Vanessa R. Brinkmann

Senior Counsel

Enclosures

February 27, 2017 Monday	
7:30 AM - 7:30 AM	En Route to the AG's Office
8:20 AM - 8:45 AM	Senior Meeting AG's Office Location: AG's office POC: Jody Hunt Attendees: Jody Hunt, Dana Boente, Jim Crowell, Jesse Panuccio
8:45 AM - 9:15 AM	Leadership Meeting AG's Conference Room POC: Jody Hunt Attendees: Jody Hunt (OAG), Dana Boente (ODAG), Jim Crowell (ODAG), Jesse Panuccio (OASG), Sam Ramer (OLA), Peter Carr (OPA), Ryan Newman (OLP), Danielle Cutrona, Rachael Tucker, David Rybicki
9:30 AM - 10:15 AM	FBI Briefing JCC Location:JCC POC: Tashina Gauhar Attendees: OAG: Jody Hunt and Rachael Tucker, ODAG: Acting DAG Boente, James Crowell, Tashina Gauhar, NSD: Mary McCord, George Toscas, Stu Evans, Michael Mullaney
10:15 AM - 10:45 AM	Meeting with Attorney General Doug Peterson, Nebraska AG's Conference Room Location: AG's Conference room AG POC: Danielle Curtrona POC: Dave Lopez (b) (6) Attendees: AG Doug Peterson, Josh Shasserre, Chief of Staff (Nebraska AG), Dave Lopez, Asst Nebraska AG, Ryan Post, Asst Nebraska AG, Mike Murray, Jim Crowell, Dana Boente, Robert Patterson, Danielle Cutrona
11:00 AM - 11:15 AM	Phone Call Mexican Attorney General, Raul Cervantes Andrade AG's Office Location: AG's office POC: Rachael Tucker Participants: Rachael Tucker, Jody Hunt In MX AG's office: Raul Cervantes Andrade; (b) (6) MX AG will call Peggi to be connected
11:15 AM - 11:45 AM	FISA SIGNATURE TIME AG's Conference Room Location: OAG conference room Attendees: OAG: Jody & Rachel; ODAG: James Crowell & Tashina Gauhar; NSD: Stuart Evans, (b) (6) (b) (6), (b) (6) (b) (6) (b) (6)
11:45 AM - 12:30 PM	LUNCH/Desk Time AG's Office Location: AG's Office
12:30 PM - 12:45 PM	(b) (5) case discussion AG's Conference Room Location: AG's Conference Room POC: Rachael Tucker Attendees: Jody Hunt, Rachael Tucker, Ken Blanco, Dana Boente, James Crowell, Chad Readler and Bruce Swartz
12:45 PM - 12:45 PM	En Route to Executive Office Building
1:00 PM - 3:00 PM	FYI: Judge Neil Gorsuch, Supreme Court Nominee (No attendance required) OLP Conference Room
1:00 PM - 1:20 PM	Private Appointment Executive Office Building; First Floor, Room 87
1:30 PM - 3:00 PM	(b) (5)

February 27, 2017 Continued

Monday

3:00 PM - 3:15 PM En Route to AG's Office

3:15 PM - 3:30 PM (b) (5)

4:30 PM - 4:45 PM PRESS -- Press Room

Location: Press Room, DOJ

POC: Jody Hunt

5:00 PM - 5:45 PM Press Phone Call: Byron York (FOX News/Washington Times) -- AG's Office

Location: AG's Office POC: Peter Carr Participants: Peter Carr

5:45 PM - 6:00 PM Phone Call with Justice Clarence Thomas -- AG's office

6:00 PM - 6:30 PM Press Phone Call: Hugh Hewitt (Radio Show) -- AG's Office

Location: AG's Office POC: Peter Carr Participants: Hugh Hewitt

February 28, 2017

Tuesday

7:30 AM - 7:30 AM En Route to AG's Office

8:20 AM - 8:45 AM Senior Meeting -- AG's Office

Location: AG's office POC: Jody Hunt

Attendees: Jody Hunt, Dana Boente, Jim Crowell, Jesse Panuccio

8:30 AM - 8:30 AM En Route to Ritz-Carlton *Staff attending should assemble in the AG's office

Location: AG's office to Ritz-Carlton

Attendees: Sarah Flores and Danielle Tucker

9:00 AM - 10:00 AM National Association of Attorney Generals, Speaking Engagement -- The Ritz-Carlton Hotel :1150 22nd

Street, NW

Location: The Ritz-Carlton Hotel :1150 22nd Street, NW [Plaza Ballroom]

POC: Noreen Cournoyer, Conference Planner (b) (6)

AG POCs: Danielle Cutrona and Sarah Flores

EVENT SCHEDULE

8:45: JBS will arrive at Ritz-Carlton and proceed to the hold room. 8:50: Sen. Luther Strange and NAAG officers will meet with JBS in hold room and take a photo. Attendees: Sen. Luther Strange; NAAG President George Jepsen (AG-CT); NAAG President Elect Derek Schmidt (AG-KS); NAAG Vice President Jeff Landry (AG-LA),

ImmediatePast President Marty Jackley (AG-SD) 9:00: JBS will proceed to speech location 9:05: NAAG

President Jepsen to introduce Sen. Strange 9:10: Sen. Strange to introduce JBS 9:15: JBS remarks 9:35: JBS concludes remarks 9:40: JBS departs

10:00 AM - 10:00 AM En Route to AG's Office

February 28, 2017 Continued

Tuesday

11:00 AM - 11:10 AM SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT: Remarks/ Introduction of Documentary -- DOJ Conference Center (Room

7411)

Location: DOJ Conference Center (Room 7411)

AG POC: Mary Blanche Hankey

POC: Richard Toscano

AG Role: Introduction to film screening of "Too Important to Fail?"

ATTENDEES: DOJ Employees

Agenda:

11:00-11:10am Remarks and introduction to film by AG

11:10 AG departs and returns to his office for FISA Signature time

12:00 PM - 1:30 PM Lunch/Desk Time -- AG's Office

1:30 PM - 1:45 PM Discussion on national security issue -- AG's Office

> Location: AG's Office POC: Rachael Tucker

3:00 PM - 3:45 PM **Antitrust Briefing -- AG's Conference room**

Location: AG's Conference Room

POC: Jesse Panuccio

Attendees: Jody Hunt (OAG); David Rybicki; Jesse Panuccio; Bryson Bachman (Deputy Associate AG (detailee from ATR), OASG); Rachel Parker (Chief of Staff, OASG); Brent Snyder (Acting AAG, ATR); Patty Brink

(Director, Civil Enforcement, ATR); Jody Hunt; Michael Murray

3:45 PM - 4:15 PM FISA SIGNATURE TIME -- AG's Conference Room

Location: OAG conference room

Time: Daily at 11:00 am

Attendees: Jody and Rachel, James Crowell, Tashina Gauhar, Stuart Evans, (6)

4:15 PM - 5:15 PM **Budget Meeting -- AG's Conference Room**

Location: AG's Conference Room

POC: Jody Hunt

Attendees: Jody Hunt, Lee Lofthus, Dana Boente, James Crowell, Jolene Lauria and Danielle Cutrona

5:15 PM - 5:15 PM En Route to the White House * Must arrive by 5:30

5:45 PM - 5:45 PM **Depart from West Exec in White House Transportation**

6:00 PM - 7:55 PM Cabinet Affairs escorts Cabinet to Leader Kevin McCarthy Reception, -- H-107, Capitol

Location: H-107, Capitol

Attendees: Reception a small group of select Republican House and Senate members

8:00 PM - 8:50 PM Cabinet Affairs will escort Cabinet to holding area -- H-219

Location: H-219

*Note that press will be set up in Statuary Hall

8:50 PM - 8:50 PM Cabinet Affairs assists in lining Cabinet in Processional order (Jim Kaelin will assist, Congressional Cabinet

Liaison)

9:01 PM - 9:01 PM The President enters the Hall of the House announced by the House Sergeant at Arms and escorted to the

dais

Tuesday

9:10 PM - 10:10 PM Joint Session of Congress -- Capitol, House Floor

Location: Capitol, House Floor

10:00 PM - 10:00 PM Potential Press Availability-Cabinet Affairs communications, Brad Rateike and Kaelan Dorr will escort

some Cabinet Members to Statuary Hall for press availability -- Statuary Hall

10:30 PM - 10:30 PM Cabinet Members will depart via the Memorial Door and return to the White House West Exec

10:35 PM - 10:35 PM AG to Meet detail in East Plaza of the Capitol

March 1, 2017

Wednesday

8:20 AM - 8:45 AM Senior Meeting -- AG's Office

Location: AG's office

POC: Jody Hunt

Attendees: Jody Hunt, Dana Boente, Jim Crowell, Jesse Panuccio

8:45 AM - 9:15 AM Leadership Meeting -- AG's Conference Room

POC: Jody Hunt

Attendees: Jody Hunt (OAG), Dana Boente (ODAG), Jim Crowell (ODAG), Jesse Panuccio (OASG), Sam Ramer (OLA), Peter Carr (OPA), Ryan Newman (OLP), Danielle Cutrona, Rachael Tucker, David Rybicki

9:30 AM - 10:15 AM FBI Briefing -- JCC

Location:JCC

POC: Tashina Gauhar

Attendees: OAG: Jody Hunt and Rachael Tucker, ODAG: Acting DAG Boente, James Crowell, Tashina

Gauhar, NSD: Mary McCord, George Toscas, Stu Evans, Michael Mullaney

10:00 AM - 10:30 AM Task Force on Transnational Criminal Organization and Trafficking meeting Prep -- Situation Room in the

Justice Command Center

Location: Situation Room in the Justice Command Center

POC: Danielle Cutrona

Attendees: Jody Hunt, Danielle Cutrona, David Rybicki, Rachael Tucker;

Bruce Ohr, Jim Crowell and Ken Blanco

10:30 AM - 11:30 AM Task Force on Transnational Criminal Organization and Trafficking meeting -- Situation Room in the

Justice Command Center Room 6100

Location: Situation Room in the Justice Command Center

POC: Danielle Cutrona and Bruce Ohr

Attendees:

State: Acting Deputy Secretary Tom Shannon and Christine Ciccone

DHS: Sec. Kelly (yes) with Kirstjen Nielsen and Ms. Dimple Shah: Mr. David Glawe, Acting Under Secretary, Intelligence and Analysis, DHS ODNI: National Intelligence Michael Dempsey: John Lombardi: Todd

Porter; Lisa Wardach and Danielle Smallcomb

OAG/ODAG Attendees: Jody Hunt, Danielle Cutrona, David Rybicki,

Rachael Tucker; Bruce Ohr, Tasha Gauhar Jim Crowell and Ken Blanco

12:00 PM - 1:00 PM LUNCH/Desk Time -- AG's Office

Case 1:17-cv-02542-KPF Document 52-2 Filed 12/04/17 Page 8 of 12 March 1, 2017 Continued Wednesday 1:00 PM - 1:30 PM Interview: (b) (6) -- AG's Office ocation: AG's Office Attendees: Rod Rosenstein; Rachel Brand; and Jody Hunt Interview: (b) (6) -- AG's Office 1:30 PM - 2:00 PM Location: AG's Office POC: Jody Hunt Attendees: Jody Hunt Racheal Brand (need to have information submitted as a visitor) Rod Rosenstein b) (6) 2:00 PM - 2:30 PM Interview: (b) (6) -- AG's Office Location: AG's Office POC: Jody Hunt Attendees: Jody Hunt; Racheal Brand; Rod Rosenstein; (6) (6) Interview Discussion -- AG's Office 2:30 PM - 3:30 PM Location: AG's Office POC: Jody Hunt Attendees Jody Hunt Rachel Brand Rod Rosenstein Meeting with the AAG Ken Blanco and CRM leadership -- AG's Conference Room 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM Location: AG's Conference Room POC: David Rybicki

Attendees: David Rybicki, Ken Blanco, James Mann, Trevor McFadden, Richard Downing, Denise Cheung, Bruce Swartz (b) (6) Kendall

Day Iris Lan NOTES:

This would be to introduce the AG to the division, learn about its components, and high-profile matters currently pending